

Delta Monitoring Workgroup

Meeting Record 01/26/2021

Working Group Members & Observers

Attendees	Organization
Nick Bertrand	USBR
Josh Israel	USBR
Ian Smith	USBR
Liz Kiteck	USBR
Suzanne Manugian	USBR
Randi Field	USBR
Elissa Buttermore	USBR
Katherine Sun	USFWS
Jana Affonso	USFWS
Jeff Stuart	NMFS
Ken Kundargi	CDFW
April Hennessy	CDFW
Felipe La Luz	CDFW
Brett Harvey	DWR
Farida Islam	DWR
Mike Ford	DWR
Matt Holland	State Board
Yuan Liu (CCWD)	Water Contractors
Deanna Sereno	Water Contractors
Heidi Williams (Valley Water)	Water Contractors
Shawn Acuña	Water Contractors
Sheila Greene	Water Contractors
Shelby Rinehart (WWD)	Water Contractors
Chandra Chilmakuri	Water Contractors
Darcy Austin (SWC)	Water Contractors

Absentees	Organization
Rafael Lopez Gonzalez	USBR
Mario Manzo	USBR
Kristal Davis-Fadtke	CDFW
Kevin Reece	DWR
Frances Brewster	Water Contractors
Alison Collins	Water Contractors
Corey Phillips (MWD)	Water Contractors
Scott Peterson (SLDMWA)	Water Contractors
Lenny Grimaldo (DWR)	Observers

Action Items

1. Ken to share JPE letter with group (Completed)
2. Suzanne to follow up with Sheila to share additional reference items regarding thiamine deficiency.
3. Ken to update group on WOMT process, given storm uncertainty, with an email on Friday afternoon.

Additional Notes on Discussion Items

- Introduction
- Review Fish and Water Operation Outlook
 - Cold wet storms this week
 - Discussion in ARG regarding further reduced releases
 - Discussion in SWT regarding winter instability flows
 - Delta- WQ will still be limiting, DCC anticipated to remain closed and ongoing construction there.
 - High winds could exacerbate turbidity and salinity.
- Review PA Assessment and ITP Assessment from Smelt Monitoring Team (SMT) and Salmon Monitoring Team (SaMT)
 - Reviewed executive summary from PA assessment.
 - Wet weather likely to increase outmigration and potentially increase loss.
 - LFRCS spring run surrogate releases occurring
 - Dead GST collected in Clifton Ct, still determining loss.
 - Final JPE released by NMFS.
 - DFW thinks it is unlikely to meet daily or seasonal loss thresholds.
 - LFS stations being processed, they continue to monitoring conditions, and will be reassessing hydrology of Friday to determine is a recommendation is warranted.
 - Barker Slough restriction in place currently for LFS.
- Provide information in DMW notes for consideration by DWR and Reclamation.
 - Group would like to see JPE letter. DFW will send JPE letter out.
 - Questions about thiamine deficiency in WCS at LSNFH. SM will follow up with SG about added information
 - Delta smelt seem to be showing up in the SDWSC, not sure what this means, but suggest that they be thinking about this with the broodstock collection protocols.
 - Question about schedule for surveys and any constraints. Would like to include in information shared with DMW.
 - Will the Friday SMT meeting release any recommendation to WOMT? It is believed that the recommendation will be shared with DMW at the next

DMW meeting. When the recommendation is recorded, the DMW would like to also receive that information.

- On Friday, SMT will reassess LFS conditions. Assessment will be updated and provided to WOMT. When information goes to WOMT, it will also go to the DMW.
- Question about whether storm flex options were discussed.